

# Wine Spectator Insider

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**SOME OF THE BEST CALIFORNIA CABERNETS** yet to come out of the already-celebrated 2012 vintage are in this week's *Wine Spectator Insider*, a showcase of wines that have recently impressed our editors in their tastings.

At up to 96 points, brick-house Cabernets and blends here are not to be missed.

## HOT WINES

These are the most exciting discoveries from our editors' most recent tastings, published exclusively in *Wine Spectator Insider*. They are high-scoring, low-production wines from around the world that may be difficult to find, but are worth seeking out.

### TOR

**Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Tierra Roja Vineyard 2012**  
**96 points | \$150 | 315 cases made | Red**

Combines power and finesse, offering a firm, dense, chewy core of mocha-scented blackberry, cassis, crushed rock, loamy earth, cedar, cigar box and exotic spice, ending with firm, smoky tannins and a midpalate sweetness that adds a measure of intrigue and nuance. Drink now through 2030. *From California.—J.L.*

### TOR

**Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley Beckstoffer To Kalon 2012**  
**95 points | \$150 | 975 cases made | Red**

Direct and powerful, this full-throttle Cabernet offers a dense core of extracted blackberry, black cherry, cassis, mocha, loamy earth, cedar and tobacco leaf flavors. Ends with cedary oak and gripping tannins, but this is ultimately graceful given the size and scope. Drink now through 2030. *From California.—J.L.*